

# Health News Release

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#### State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of the following health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., dentists, nurses, counselors). Information about disciplinary action taken against medical doctors and physician assistants can be found on the <a href="Washington Medical Commission">Washington Medical Commission</a> (WMC) website. Questions about WMC disciplinary actions can be sent to <a href="media@wmc.wa.gov">media@wmc.wa.gov</a>.

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health home page (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

#### **Grant County**

In September 2022 the secretary of health suspended the substance use disorder professional trainee license of **Plasido Session Lindsey**, **Jr.** (CO60700650). Lindsey did not respond to an investigator asking about allegations that he was negligent in reporting patient compliance to local courts and probation offices and did not properly assess two patients.

### **Kitsap County**

In October 2022 the Mental Health Counselor Program and **Tara Jean Larsen-Overstreet** (LH60393078) agreed to the suspension of her mental health counselor license. Larsen-Overstreet counseled a patient who she later became romantically involved with. The patient's divorce was finalized in February 2020 and the patient moved in with Larsen-Overstreet in May 2020; they were married that October. Some of the records for the patient and the patient's spouse, who attended counseling, were incomplete.

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## **Spokane County**

In September 2022 the secretary of health suspended for at least 10 years the associate mental health counselor and substance use disorder professional licenses of **Anthony Lee Williams** (CP60423468, MC60796005). In December 2019, Williams was convicted of six counts of delivery of a controlled substance and two counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, in Spokane County Superior Court. In October 2021, Williams was convicted of theft-domestic violence, assault-domestic violence, and two counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, in Spokane County Superior Court. The Department of Health had previously summarily suspended his licenses.

### **Out of State**

**Oregon:** In September 2022 the secretary of health suspended the registered nursing assistant license of **Adrienna Toinette Calleja** (NA60182922) after she did not respond to charges. Calleja had entered an agreement with the Nursing Commission subjecting her licensed practical nurse credential to conditions.

**Oregon:** In September 2022 the secretary of health denied **Amber Dawn Reid's** (LR00003909) application to activate her expired respiratory care practitioner license and suspended her credential after she failed to respond to charges. California revoked Reid's license to practice as a respiratory care practitioner because she failed to comply with conditions imposed on her credential as a result of her use of controlled substances.

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